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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC DOWN 0.1% IN MAY

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 18, 1991 -- Airline passenger traffic decreased 0.1 percent in May, compared with the same month last year, and was down 5.5 percent for the first five months of 1991, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service, traffic decreased 0.5 percent in May. Available seat miles were down 4.1 percent. The passenger load factor averaged 61.2 percent, up from 59.0 percent for May, 1990. Passenger enplanements declined 1.0 percent to 34.2 million.

In international service, traffic in May was up 0.9 percent. Available seat miles decreased 4.2 percent. The load factor averaged 71.0 percent, compared with 67.4 percent for May 1990. 3.3 million passengers were enplaned in May 1991, down 2.6 percent from the same period last year.

For the first four months of 1991, domestic traffic decreased 3.8 percent, and available seat miles were down 4.3 percent. The load factor increased slightly to 59.4 percent. Passenger enplanements were down 4.3 percent, with 160.3 million passengers.

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International traffic for the first four months of 1991 was down 10.7 percent. The available seat miles declined 5.5 percent, and the load factor averaged 62.4 percent, down from 66.0 percent last year. The number of passengers decreased 12.9 percent to 13.6 million.

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PRELIMINARY SCHEDULED PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

MAY 1991 - 1990

	MAY			YEAR TO DATE		
	1991	1990	PERCENT CHANGE	1991	1990	PERCENT CHANGE
DOMESTIC						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	34,191	34,527	(1.0)	160,296	167,538	(4.3)
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	27,542,739	27,674,870	(.5)	129,622,705	134,748,917	(3.8)
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	44,991,104	46,934,918	(4.1)	218,214,662	227,955,162	(4.3)
LOAD FACTOR (%)	61.2	59.0		59.4	59.1	
INTERNATIONAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	3,280	3,367	(2.6)	13,578	15,587	(12.9)
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	9,597,906	9,510,530	.9	37,843,929	42,398,836	(10.7)
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	13,511,610	14,100,334	(4.2)	60,687,330	64,209,110	(5.5)
LOAD FACTOR (%)	71.0	67.4		62.4	66.0	
TOTAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	37,471	37,894	(1.1)	173,874	183,125	(5.1)
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	37,140,645	37,185,400	(.1)	167,466,634	177,147,753	(5.5)
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	58,502,714	61,035,252	(4.1)	278,901,992	292,164,272	(4.5)
LOAD FACTOR (%)	63.5	60.9		60.0	60.6	

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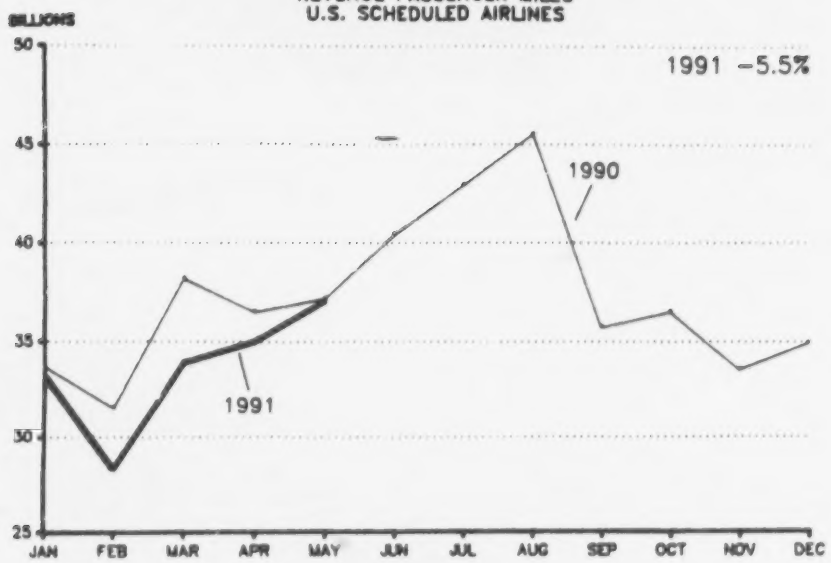
PASSENGER TRAFFIC

REVENUE PASSENGER MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES

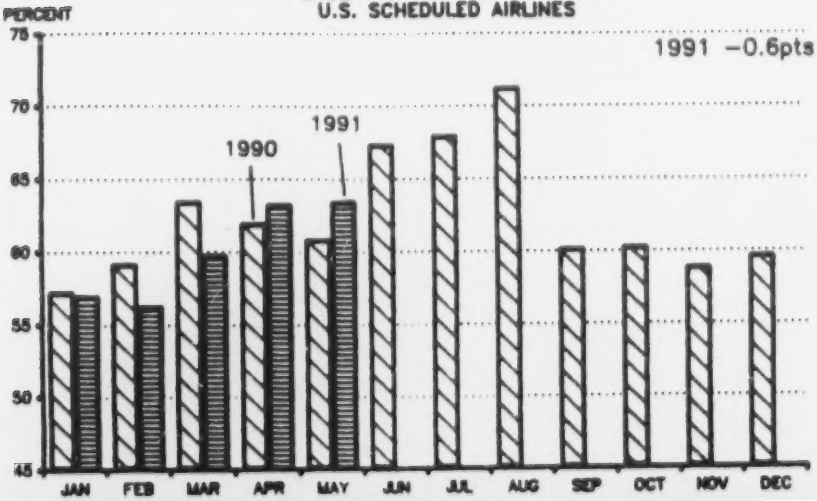


CAPACITY

AVAILABLE SEAT MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES

LOAD FACTOR

PERCENT OF CAPACITY UTILIZED
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



PRELIMINARY SCHEDULED PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

MONTH	REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	LOAD FACTOR	ENPLANEMENTS (000)
1990				
January	33,727,179	58,813,269	57.3	34,072
February	31,540,592	53,262,638	59.2	33,182
March	38,202,361	60,147,805	63.5	40,079
April	36,492,221	58,905,308	62.0	37,898
May	37,185,400	61,035,252	60.9	37,894
June	41,305,346	61,401,163	67.3	40,451
July	43,921,303	64,709,470	67.9	41,735
August	46,593,409	65,402,556	71.2	44,489
September	36,520,229	60,761,698	60.1	35,468
October	37,501,512	62,252,748	60.2	38,026
November	34,440,984	58,487,977	58.9	35,830
December	35,816,112	60,022,794	59.7	35,872
TOTAL 1990	453,246,648	725,202,678	62.5	454,996
Jan - May	177,147,753	292,164,272	60.6	183,125
1991				
January	33,156,624	58,193,663	57.0	33,323
February	28,279,361	50,220,485	56.3	30,818
March	33,935,173	56,769,427	59.8	35,939
April	34,954,831	55,215,703	63.3	36,323
May	37,140,645	58,502,714	63.5	37,471
TOTAL 1991	167,466,634	278,901,992	60.0	173,874

PERCENT CHANGE

	REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	ENPLANEMENTS (000)
1991/1990			
May	-0.1	-4.1	-1.1
Jan - May	-5.5	-4.5	-5.1